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# Gachado Well Line Camp Corral



### Identification:

Preferred Structure Name: Gachado Well Line Camp Corral

Structure Number: HS04B

Other Structure Name(s):

Other Structure Name(s)

No records.

Park: Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument

Historic District:

Historic District

No records.

Structure State: Arizona
Structure County: Pima

Region: Intermountain
Cluster: Southwest

Administrative Unit: Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument

LCS ID: 056718

## Historical Significance:

National Register Status: Entered - Documented

National Register Date: 11/02/1978

National Historic Landmark?: No
Significance Level: Local

Short Significance Description: The Gachado Line Camp Corral, Organ Pipe NM, contributing structure to

Gachado Well & Line Camp, NR, local level, Criteria A, Sonoran Desert cattle raising; B, assoc'n w/Robert L. Gray, Sr.; & C, model of frontier-style

architecture unique to border region. Period of signif, 1919-1976.

Long Significance Description: Gachado Line Camp Corral, Organ Pipe NM, is one of the contributing

structures of Gachado Well and Line Camp, entered on the National Register, at the local level, under Criteria A, Sonoran Desert cattle raising; B, cattle-ranching property associated with Robert Louis Gray, Sr. and the Gray Family partnership; and C, model of frontier style architecture unique to border region. The period of significance begins for the line camp with the purchase of the water rights by Robert Gray, Sr., in 1919 and ends with the death of the last of the three Gray sons, Robert, Jr. and the subsequent removal of the last of the Grays cattle from the monument in 1976.

The Gachado Well and Line Camp, was named for the gnarled old mesquite tree that once stood near the southwest corner of the corral, and was one of the fifteen ranches and line camps in the Gray family cattle business with which the Gray Family Partnership developed the ranching potential of the desert country north of the border and dominated the lands of Organ Pipe National Monument for nearly 60 years.

Built with two compartments, entirely of mesquite, palo verde, and other materials native to the region., the corral has a loading chute and ramp, trigger gate and concrete watering trough.

The Gachado Well and Line Camp with its associated structures was entered into the National Register of Historic Places on November 2, 1978.

#### Construction Period:

Construction Period:

Historic

Chronology:

			Begin		End		
	Physical	Begin	Year	End	Year		Designer
	Event	Year	AD/BC	Year	AD/BC	Designer	Occupation
1.	Built	1930	AD	1939	AD	Gray,	Other
						Robert	
						Louis	

#### **Function and Use:**

Primary Historic Function: Enclosure/Exclosure

Enclosure/Exclosure **Primary Current Use:** 

Structure Contains Museum

Collections?:

Other Functions or Uses:

	Other Function(s) or Use(s)	Historic or Current
1.	AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE	Historic
2.	Abandoned/Unmaintained	Current

## Physical Description:

Structure Type:

#### Grounds/Landscape

Material(s):

	Structural Component(s) Material(s)					
1.	Superstructure	Metal				
2.	Superstructure	Concrete				
3.	Superstructure	Wood				

Short Physical Description:

Corral w/ 2 compartments, each approx 60'x80', of mesquite, palo verde, RR ties & barbed wire. Dimensional lumber gate. Trigger gate gone but mesquite loading chute remains. 42' 2000 gal. conc. watering trough. Well inside, covered by timbers, 7'x7' w/ grate below.

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